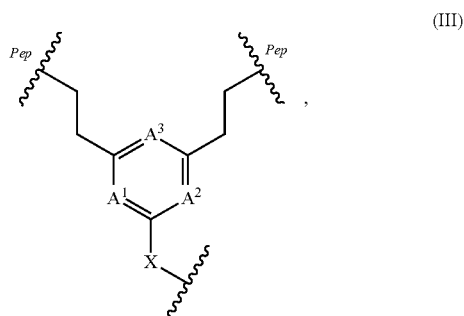


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1. A conjugate comprising a protein or a peptide, a linker and an active agent, wherein the linker comprises the moiety of formula (III):



wherein two of A^1 , A^2 and A^3 are N and the other of A^1 , A^2 and A^3 is CH;

X is selected from N, O and S, and

Pep indicates where the moiety is linked to the protein or peptide, either directly or indirectly.

2-3. (canceled)

4. The conjugate according to claim 1, wherein the protein is an antibody or an antigen-binding fragment thereof.

5. (canceled)

6. The conjugate according to claim 4, wherein the antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof is directed to a tumor associated antigen.

7-9. (canceled)

10. The conjugate according to claim 1, wherein the active agent is a drug, which is a cytotoxin.

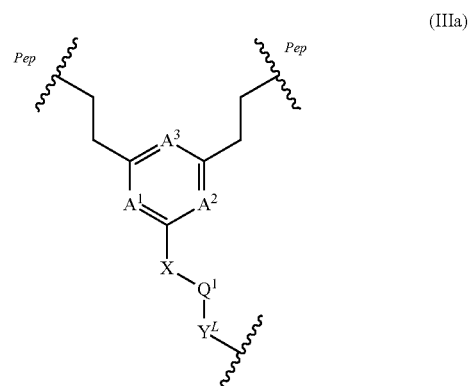
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13. The conjugate according to claim 1, wherein A^1 and A^2 are N.

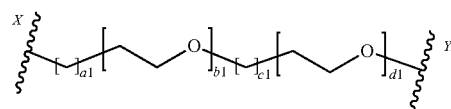
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15. The conjugate according to claim 1, wherein X is selected from NR^N , O and S, where R^N is H or C_{1-2} alkyl, and there is a single active agent attached to X via a linker.

16. The conjugate according to claim 15, wherein the linker comprises the moiety of formula (IIIa):



wherein Q^1 is:

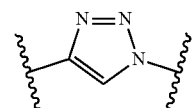


where $a1=0$ to 5, $b1=0$ to 16, $c1=0$ to 5, $d1$ is 0 to 16, and $b1+d1=0$ to 16;

and Y^L is a functional linking moiety.

17. The conjugate according to claim 16, wherein Y^L is selected from the group consisting of:

(a)



and (b) $-\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{NH}-$.